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Enclosed herewith is a new patent application and the following papers:

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Title of Invention: AUTOMATIC VENDING MACHINE HAVING A CONTROL SYSTEM
 CAPABLE OF EASILY AND RELIABLY REWRITING A CONTROL
 PROGRAM IN EACH TERMINAL CONTROL UNIT

1. Specification 19 pages (including specification, claims, abstract) / 15 claims (1 independent)
2. Declaration/Power of Attorney is:
 - attached in the regular manner.
 - NOT included, but deferred under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f).
3. 5 Distinct sheets of Formal Informal Drawings (Figs. 1-5)
4. Preliminary Amendment.
5. Information Disclosure Statement
 - Form 1449
 - A copy of each cited prior art reference
6. Assignment with Cover Sheet.
7. Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based upon the following application(s):

Country	Application Number	Date of Filing (day, month, year)
Japan	306514/1999	28 October 1999

8. Priority document(s).
9. Statement Claiming Small Entity Status.
10. Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix).
11. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission.
 - Computer Readable Copy.
 - Paper Copy (identical to computer copy).
 - Statement verifying identity of above copies.

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12. Calculation of Fees:

FEES FOR	EXCESS CLAIMS	FEE	AMOUNT DUE
Basic Filing Fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a))			\$710.00
Total Claims in Excess of 20 (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(c))	0	18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims in Excess of 3 (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b))	0	80.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d))	0	270.00	\$0.00
Subtotal - Filing Fee Due			\$710.00
		REDUCE BY (%) (\$)	
Reduction by 50%, if Small Entity (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)	0		\$0.00
TOTAL FILING FEE DUE			\$710.00
Assignment Recordation Fee (if applicable) (37 C.F.R. § 1.21(h))	1	40.00	\$40.00
GRAND TOTAL DUE			\$750.00

13. PAYMENT is:

included in the amount of the GRAND TOTAL by our enclosed check. A general authorization under 37 C.F.R. § 1.25(b), second sentence, is hereby given to credit or debit our Deposit Account No. 19-0733 for the instant filing and for any other fees during the pendency of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18.

not included, but deferred under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f).

14. All correspondence for the attached application should be directed to:

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